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ARMS EMBARGO

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AND TELEVISI

N(TRT) THE EVENING OF JUNE 18, DISCUSSED A

VARIETY OF TURKISH FOREIGN POLICY CONCERNS, INCLUDING THE GOT

RESPONSE TO THE US ARMS ENBARGO. THE FOLLOWING ARE Q'S AND

A'S EXCERPTED FROM THAT IORTION OF THE INTERCIEW:

Q. COULD THE ISSUES OF COMMON DEFENSE INSTALLATIONS BE

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SOLVED WEPARATELY FROM OTHER ISSUES BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES?

A. HERE, I THINK, THERE IS A MISINTERPRETATION, A
MISUNDERSTANDING. WHAT WE DISCLOSED YESTERDAY WAS THIS:
THE U.S. HAS UNILATERALLY VIOLATED ITS BILATERAL AGREEMENTS WITH
TURKEY; CUT-OFF ITS AID TO TURKEY AND THEN INSTITUTED AN ARMS EMBARGO
AGAINST TURKEY. SO, TURKEY HAS DECIDED UNILATERALLY THAT ALL
HER EXISTING AGREEMENTS WITH THE U.S. COULD NOT BE CONTINUED
ANY LONGER. THAT IS, THERE ISN'T ANY SITUATION LEFT LIKE REVIEWING OR REDISCUSSING THE EXISTING AGREEMENTS. THERE ARE NO
AGREEMENTS LEFT.

Q. SINCE THE U.S. HAD TAKEN HER DECISION UNILATERALLY, WHY, THEN, DID TURKEY OFFER DISCUSSIONS TO THE U.S.?

A. THE DECISION THE U.S. HAS TAKEN UNILATERALLY ISU.S.

MILITARY AID CUT-OFF; THE DECISION TURKEY HAS TAKEN UNILATERALLY
IS NOT TO CONSIDER THE EXISTING AGREEMENTS IN EFFECT. ABOUT THE
30-DAY PERIOD ... EVEN, WHEN YOU WANT TO DISREGARD A RENT
CONTRACT, YOU GIVE A REASONABLE PERIOD OF TIME...

Q. WHAT ABOUT THE "PROVISIONAL STATUS"?

A. IT IS THIS: AFTER THE 30-DAY PERIOD, TURKEY WILL INFORM THE U.S. IN WHICH FIELDS, SCALES, LIMITS AND UNDER WHICH CONDITIONS TURKEY WILL WANT TO IMPLEMENT THE COMMON DEFENSE COOPERATION. TURKEY HAS SET THESE, BUT WILL INFORM THE U.S. OF THESE AFTER 30 DAYS. WHY DON'T WE DISCLOSE THE CONTENT OF THE "PROVISIONAL STATUS"? BECAUSE THERE IS NO OBLIGATION AND NECESSITY FOR THIS. THE TIME IS EARLY FOR T. WHAT WE ARE GOING TO DISCUSS WITH THE U.S. IS NOT THE DECISION WE HAVE TAKEN UNILATERA LY... IT IS

THE DELIVERY OF THE "PROVISIONAL STATUS" TO THE U.S. WE WILL TELL THEM OUR DESIRE TO CONTINUE COOPERATION IN SOME FIELDS. WE WILL DISCUSS THE CONDITIONS UNDER WHICH THE NEW DEFENSE COOPERATION WITH THE U.S. WILL BE IMPLEMENTED.

Q. WHAT IF THE U.S. WANTS TO SIT DOWN FOR DISCUSSIONS BEFORE THE END OF THE 30-DAY PERIOD? LET'S SAY JULY 1.

A. THEN WE WILL START DISCUSSIONS RIGHT THEN. SINCE THE UNCLASSIFIED

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BILATERAL AGREEMENTS ARE NO LONGER VALID, THE "PROVISIONAL STATUS" WILL BE PUT INTO EFFECT IMMEDIATELY, TOO.

Q. WHAT IF THE U.S. LIFTS THE ARMS EMBARGO BEFORE THE 30-DAY PERIOD ENDS? WILL THERE AGAIN BE DISCUSSIONS ON THE AGREEMENTS RELATED TO THE COMMON DEFENSE INSTALLATIONS AND OTHER MATTERS?

A. NATURALLY, SINCE THE AGREEMENTS ARE NO LONGER VALID, DISCUSSIONS ARE NECESSARY TO DETERMINE THE GUIDELINES OF THE CONDITIONS AND THE FIELDS UNDER AND IN WHICH THE NEW COOPERATION WILL BE IMPLEMENTED.

Q. SINCE MOST OF THE BASIC AGREEMENT IS PREPARED ON THE BASIS OF LOYALTY TO NATO, ISN'T IT NATURAL THAT THE OTHER NATO COUNTRIES ARE ALSO INTERESTED IN THE DECISIONS AND ARRANGEMENTS RELATED TO THE COMMON DEFENSE INSTALLATIONS IN TURKEY?

A. IN ANSWER TO A PRESS QUERY YESTERDAY I ANSWERED THAT IT WAS NOT NECESSARY TO GIVE THE NOTE WE HAVE DELIVERED TO THE U.S. TO THE OTHER NATO COUNTRIES ALSO, BUT ALL THE DEFENSE COOPERATION IS WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF NATO. NATO COUNTRIES CAN ESTABLISH BILATERAL AGREEMENTS WHICH WOULD REINFORCE THEIR DEFENSE. ALTHOUGH THESE ARE NOT INCLUDED IN THE NATO INTEGRATION, THEY MEAN AN ADDITIONAL STRENGTH FOR NATO. SO, IT IS VERY NATURAL TO INFORM THE OTHER NATO COUNTRIES OF THESE AGREEMENTS.

Q. WHAT IF THE U.S. EMBARGO IS NOT LIFTED? WILL TURKEY'S RELATIONS WITH NATO AND HER PLACE IN THE WORLD BE REVIEWED IN TOTAL? ARE THERE ANY PREPARATIONS FOR THIS?

A. I NEITHER WISH OR CONSIDER THAT THE DEVELOPMENTS WOULD END AT SUCH A DANGEROUS POINT. BUT, WHATEVER THE REQUIREMENTS NECESSITATE, IT WILL BE DONE.

Q. AT THE NATO MEETING, HAS PRESIDENT FORD GIVEN ANY GUARANTEE (ASSURANCE) TO PRIME MINISTER DEMIREL IN RELATION TO THE LIFTING OF THE U.S. ARMS EMBARGO?

A. THE EMBARGO DECISION IS NOT BY THE U.S. GOVERNMENT. THIS IS A CONGRESSIONAL DECISION. THE RUARANTEE PRESIDENT UNCLASSIFIED

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FORD GAVE WAS THAT THE GOVERNMENT WOULD INTENSIFY ITS EFFORTS IN THE CONGRESS FOR THE LIFTING OF THE ARMS EMBARGO AND THAT THERE HAD BEEN A SERIOUS JUDGMENT, FOR THE FIRST TIME, IN THE CONGRESS, TOO, ABOUT THE INJUSTICE OF THE ARMS EMBARGO DECISION.
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